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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below.

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m. to 9:00 pm, Thursday, August 24, 2017:**

Section 1-F: will be open south and east of a line from the southernmost tip of California Head at 55°19.58' N. latitude, 131°29.07' W. longitude to Spire Island Light to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restrictions:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point;

Carroll Inlet: will be closed north of the southernmost tip of California Head at 55°19.58' N. latitude, 131°29.07' W. longitude;

George Inlet: all waters will be closed;

Thorne Arm: will be closed north and east of a line from the westernmost tip of Moth Point to the northernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.91' N. latitude, 131°19.04' W. longitude.

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Thursday, August 24, through 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017:**

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45' N. latitude, 131°18.90' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point to Point Davison Light then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point.

District 2

District 2: will be closed.

District 3

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Thursday, August 24, 2017:**

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the southernmost tip of Bay Point at 55°42.47' N. latitude, 133°29.49' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Saint Philip Island at 55°39.31' N. latitude, 133°25.16' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Blanquizar Point at 55°37.36' N. latitude, 133°23.86' W. longitude to the southernmost tip of Blanquizar Point at 55°37.10' N. latitude, 133°23.23' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Santa Rosalia to the southernmost tip of Point Amargura to the northernmost tip of Point Cangrejo at 55°20.81' N. latitude, 133°21.42' W. longitude.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Thursday, August 24, through 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017:**

Section 3-A: will be open south of the northernmost tip of Round Point at 55°07.63' N. latitude with the following restrictions:

Dall Island Shore: will be closed west of a line from the southernmost tip of Reef Point at 55°03.62' N. latitude, 132°58.33' W. longitude to Shoe Island Light to the westernmost tip of Datzkoo Point at 54°43.80' N. latitude, 132°41.83' W. longitude;

Hassiah Inlet and Mabel Bay: will be closed east of 132°35.00' W. longitude and south of the northernmost tip of Helen Island;

Kassa Inlet: will be closed east of Kassa Point at 132°31.62' W. longitude;

Klakas Inlet: will be closed north of 54°57.20' N. latitude at the southernmost entrance to Max Cove;

Max Cove: all waters will be closed;

Nutkwa Inlet: will be closed north of the **northernmost tip of Nutkwa Point located at 55°04.28' N. latitude.**

Section 3-B: will be open west of a line from the southernmost tip of Point Desconocida located at 55°41.64' N. latitude, 133°31.71' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Animas located at 55°32.06' N. latitude, 133°27.37' W. longitude to the northernmost tip of Point Cangrejo at 55°20.81' N. latitude, 133°21.42' W. longitude.

Section 3-C: will be open with the following restrictions:

Holbrook Arm, Van Sant Cove, and contiguous waters: will be closed north and west of a line from Limestone Point Light to the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 56°00.30' N. latitude, 133°28.64' W. longitude;

Token Bay: all waters will be closed east of the southernmost tip of Holbrook Point located at 133°28.64' W. longitude.

District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Thursday, August 24, through 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017:**

District 4: will be open.

District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Thursday, August 24, through 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017:**

District 5: will be open south of a line from Point Amelius to the westernmost Barrier Island then due east to Prince of Wales Island and north of a line from Cape Decision to Cape Pole (all waters of Affleck Canal will be open to normal markers).

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Thursday, August 24, 2017:**

Section 7-B: will be open.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Thursday, August 24, through 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017:**

Section 9-B: will be open with the following restrictions:

Eliza Harbor: will be closed north of a line from Sharp Point to Deepwater Point;

Murder Cove: will be closed north of a line from Bartlett Point to the southernmost tip of Carroll Island;

Keku Strait and Port Camden: will be closed south of a line from Cornwallis Point Light to Point Macartney Light;

Gedney Harbor: will be closed east of a line from Swaine Point to Point Cosmos;

Rowan Bay: will be closed east of a line from 56°39.10' N. latitude, 134°16.62' W. longitude to 56°39.47' N. latitude, 134°17.25' W. longitude;

Bay of Pillars: will be closed east of a line from Point Ellis to Point Ellis Light to a point between Rowan Bay and Bay of Pillars at 56°37.42' N. latitude, 134°16.62' W. longitude.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Thursday, August 24, through 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017:**

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Point Augusta: will be open within 2 nautical miles from the Chichagof Island shoreline and north of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63' N. latitude (located 1 nautical mile south of Point Augusta Light);

Chichagof Island: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline south of East Point at 57°48.33' N. latitude and north of Point Hayes, including the waters of Tenakee Inlet;

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of the latitude of Point Couverden at 58°11.39' N. latitude and north of Parker Point at 57°36.73' N. latitude, and south of the latitude of Point Samuel (Hood Bay, Chaik Bay, Whitewater Bay, and Wilson Cove to normal markers).

District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Thursday, August 24, through 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017:**

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restrictions:

Stag Bay: will be closed southeast of a line from 57°55.00' N. latitude, 136°18.28' W. longitude to 57°54.79' N. latitude, 136°18.79' W. longitude;

Lisianski Inlet: will be closed between 57°54.54' N. latitude and 57°54.00' N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek) and closed south of 57°52.68' N. latitude.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point to Ninefoot Shoal Light to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island to Point Hogan to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Ford Arm: will be closed north and east of a line from 57°34.74' N. latitude, 135°57.08' W. longitude to 57°34.38' N. latitude, 135°56.46' W. longitude;

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

Sister Lake: will be closed east of a line from 57°38.11' N. latitude, 136°00.36' W. longitude to 57°37.58' N. latitude, 136°00.00' W. longitude;

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°08.01' W. longitude;

Goulding Harbor: will be closed east of 136°14.17' W. longitude.

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point with the following restrictions:

St. John Baptist Bay: will be closed east of the longitude of Zeal Point;

Sukoi Inlet: will be closed south of a line from Hayward Point to Sukoi Point;

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°35.16' W. longitude.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50' N. latitude, 135°34.28' W. longitude to the westernmost tip of Sasedni Island with the following restrictions:

Starrigavin Bay and Mosquito Cove: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.78' N. latitude, 135°22.55' W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00' N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point;

Nakwasina Sound: will be closed northeast of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°10.58' N. latitude, 135°24.81' W. longitude to the easternmost tip of Crosswise Island to the northernmost tip of Beehive Island then due west to the Halleck Island shoreline.

Whale Bay: will be open east of 135°03.00' W. longitude with the following restrictions:

Small Arm: will be closed north of 56°38.30' N. latitude (entrance of Small Arm);

Great Arm: will be closed north of 56°41.10' N. latitude.

Section 13-C: **will be closed.**

District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Thursday, August 24, 2017:**

Section 14-A: will be open in the following area:

Idaho Inlet: will be open south of a line from a point at 58°12.51' N. latitude, 136°09.78' W. longitude to a point at 58°12.46' N. latitude, 136°16.39' W. longitude and west of 136°09.60' W. longitude.

Section 14-C: will be open in the following area:

Excursion Inlet and **contiguous waters**: will be open in those waters **north of the northernmost tip of the Porpoise Islands at 58°20.68' N. latitude and south of Sawmill Point at 58°27.12' N. latitude**, including the waters of Sawmill Bay.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **6:00 a.m., Thursday, August 24, through 9:00 p.m., Friday, August 25, 2017:**

Section 14-A: will be open in the following area:

Idaho Inlet: will be open south of a line from a point at 58°12.51' N. latitude, 136°09.78' W. longitude to a point at 58°12.46' N. latitude, 136°16.39' W. longitude and north of a line from a point at 58°08.29' N. latitude, 136°10.18' W. longitude, to a point at 58°08.28' N. latitude, 136°11.92' W. longitude.

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point.

Section 14-C: will be open within 2 nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

King Salmon Landing Restrictions: For all Southeast Alaska waters, king salmon 28 inches or greater in length MAY NOT be retained and sold. King salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. King salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold.

The next seine announcement will be issued on **Saturday, August 26, 2017.**

Copies of the “2017 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan” may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department’s website at:
http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is EO 1S6017.

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<i>ADF&G</i>	225-5195	772-3801	874-3822	747-6688	465-4250	766-2830		784-3255
<i>AWT</i>	225-5111	772-3983	874-3215	747-3254	465-4000		945-3620	

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates
Statistical Week 34
Preliminary Estimates Compiled August 22, 2017.

Area	NUMBERS OF SALMON						Boats
	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	3,800	1,500	240,000	3,000	248,300	20
District 3	0	3,200	3,000	850,000	17,000	873,200	52
District 4	0	8,000	1,200	280,000	6,500	295,700	24
District 7	0	500	200	100,000	1,500	102,200	11
Section 9-B	0	500	2,000	250,000	5,500	258,000	24
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	450	1,600	106,000	12,300	120,350	15
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	200	300	70,000	2,700	73,200	4
W. Admiralty shore	0	1,300	3,400	210,000	12,000	226,700	22
SW Admiralty shore	0	150	300	45,000	4,200	49,650	3
Section 13-A	0	300	400	282,000	7,000	289,700	15
Section 13-B	0	20	100	30,000	160,000	190,120	30
Excursion Inlet	0	500	1,600	60,000	76,000	138,100	36
Total	0	18,920	15,600	2,523,000	307,700	2,865,220	256

Area	FISH PER BOAT					
	King	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	190	75	12,000	150	12,415
District 3	0	62	58	16,346	327	16,792
District 4	0	333	50	11,667	271	12,321
District 7	0	45	18	9,091	136	9,291
Section 9-B	0	21	83	10,417	229	10,750
Point Augusta/Whitestone	0	30	107	7,067	820	8,023
Tenakee/Basket Bay	0	50	75	17,500	675	18,300
W. Admiralty shore	0	59	155	9,545	545	10,305
SW Admiralty shore	0	50	100	15,000	1,400	16,550
Section 13-A	0	20	27	18,800	467	19,313
Section 13-B	0	1	3	1,000	5,333	6,337
Excursion Inlet	0	14	44	1,667	2,111	3,836

Confidential: Districts 2 and 5, Section 13-C.
